TAFT SPLIT UP THE LEAGUE TO **ENFORCE PEACE**

Serious Differences Over Backing Given to Naitons' Covenant.

WILSON IDEAS RIDDLED

Organization Not in Favor of Lowell's Stand-Senate

Opposition Grows.

William H. Taft, have occurred as a re-

There has not been a meeting of the executive council of the League to Enforce su nant was made public. Strong exception inciples embodied in the League of

The position has been taken by some numbers of the League to Enforce Peace

Nations League covenant is more contused than ever so far as Washington is
concerned, as a result of the rapid fire
exchange of assertions and denials with
regard to the manner in which the covefant if to be presented to the Senate.
The President's cable to Mr. Tumulty,
life secretary, stafing emphatically the
covenant would be interwoven with the
secret transfer or time convinced Senaextended. ace treaty for a time convinced Senaasant duty of refusing to ratify the ace treaty if the league pact was so worked into it that it could not be re-moved without the operation proving fafollowed the assurance from Stephen Pichon, the French Foreign Minister. hat the covenant would not form a part of the first treaty of peace but of a later treaty, but this grain of comfort eas lost again by cabled denials repre-enting the President's attitude to be at M. Pichon was mistaken or his There the matter rests for the moment

far as the Senators are concerned. Their position remains the same as it as the night the original thirty-sever President has insisted it must re-

The only change since that day has een the addition of Senatorial recruits the stand taken by these thirty-seven. perats are counted upon r foes of the Wilson idea, making in all

THRONGS ASK SEATS

MAKES U.S. VASSAL, WARNS, COL. HARVEY

Continued from First Page. glad to have him with us this

Col. Harvey's Address.

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The Two Men's Attitudes.

has been taken to the speeches and writings of Mr. Taft and President Lowell of a food for. It is not necessary for me the independence won by Washington and the Continguital army and again because to Enforce Peace to the boware of entangling alliances with formula the majority of your country men in his Parewell Address to boware of entangling alliances with formula the majority of your country men in his parewell address to boware of entangling alliances with formula the majority of your country men in his parewell address to come in effect a vassal State? If so, boware of entangling alliances with formula the majority of your country men in his parewell address to come in effect a vassal State? If so, boware of entangling alliances with formula the majority of your country to forfeit the independence won by Washington and the Continguital army and again become in the independence won by Washington and the Continguital army and again become the independence with the independence with a continguital army and again become in the independence with a continguital army and again become in the independence with a continguital army and again become in the independence with a continguital army and again become in the independence with a continguital army and again become in the independence with a continguital army and again become in the independence with a continguital army and again become in the independence with a continguital army and again become in the independence with a continguital army and again the con "We all know what Washington

"We have had greater difficulty in

can be public. According to the information which has reached here it is expected that undoubtedly there is a good deal for support for the position faken by Mr. Taft and Mr. Lowell, but the contention that it represents the contention that it represents the contention that it represents the feeling of the league generally has been lirectly questioned.

Denial Is Made.

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It has been expressly denied that the joint taken by Mr. Taft and Mr. Lowell is at all in accord with the ideas and principles upon which the League to find and must be reckned with as a wholly novel proposition.

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your deposits show signs of increasing and your bank is the soundest, richest and most promising in the land. Mean-while, those other banks have suffered sadly. Two or three are on the verge sadly. Two or three are on the verge between the patriot and the politician?

Assets and Linbilities Pooled.

Somebody makes a proposal. It is that Take them as types in order. Begin all the banks combine and pool all assets with that world statesman, the Secretary and liabilities, the assets being yours, of of the Navy, who demonstrates his concourse, and the liabilities theirs, and sistency and sincerity by urging the experience for him during the past six there will be nine directors, of whom greatest navy in the world while simul-

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reason offhand why not. But has any-body seen it? I haven't—have you? Neither has Senator Brandegee. Thus so far, and I suspect for a long time to come, the American people are not going to be allowed to inspect or consider the proposal of their own representatives and are required to indorse blindfolded the

Col, Harvey said:

"I am always at a loss to know what reply to make when I am asked to designate a subject for a speech. Things happen nowadays so quickly and unexpectedly that often what would have been an excellent topic yesterday ceases to be timely to-day. Consequently I found myself in my usual state of perturbation last week when your President requested me to telegraph a title for my remarks this evening.

"It was a wholly reasonable inquiry, and the response should have been easy and ready. Unhapply I did not find it so and, after groping hesitatingly in my mind for awhile, the best I could propose was Patriotism or Politics."

Bût on the following day I realized that this was both too general and too hackneyed, so I skeed him to substitute "Washington or Wilson."

"After all, when you come to think of it, the difference is not so great; the meaning is substantially the same. Not that I would convey the impression that

Betrayal of Republic.

boware of entangling alliances will for-eigh powers and his enthest injunction to safeguard above all other things the complete independence of the new re-public.

brought to the attention of Mr. Taft, and it is understood to the attention of Mr. Lowell also.

Situation Grows Confused.

The whole situation respecting the President's intentions in regard to the Nations' League covenant is more convenient in the nick of time to help the foreseen that, even if the thing goes through, somebody as in fact the did spura the somebody may have to help the foreseen that, even if the thing goes through, somebody also in for America? Would Washington have had the audacity and in solence to attempt a subterfuge like that the nick of time to help the foreseen that, even if the thing goes through, somebody also in for America? Would Washington have had the audacity and in solence to attempt a subterfuge like through. Somebody also in fact the solence of the burghers.

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What the Advocates Say. A V "You have done your full part, but you are willing to do more. You will extend loans, you will make fresh loans, you will reduce interest, you will do anything in reason that can be asked.

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vised by English statesmen for the avowed purpose of infloading many of their burdens upon the United States, precisely as drawn. "Furthermore, when Benator Brandegee asked if the people of this country might not see the American plan for purpose of comparison, the President replied hesitatingly that he could see no reason off hand why not. But has any

TO LEAGUE WITHIN TREATY

was no telling whether action of the executive council would require a unanimous vote or a majority vote would suffice; that the part of the covenant relating to the size of the military forces should be 'clienthed'; that it should contain a 'larger reservation of the Monroe Doctrine'; that the covenant should be made more definite as to when its obligations might be terminated, &c., &c.

'Why, he was as bad as Bryan. He could find practically nothing in the

OTHER members of the United States Senate announced pesterday their intention to oppose by every constitutional means the effort of the President to force the League of Nations upon them as an integral part of the treaty of peace with Germany. Senator Brandegee and Senator Calder announced on Sunday their determined opposition to such a course of procedure. Following are some of the later expressions:

Favors Peace Treaty, Opposes League Plan.

LAKOTA, N. D., March 17 .- I am for peace with all men and nations, but I am unalterably opposed to the surrender of American covereignty or American rights. I believe in the fundamental principles and teachings of the fathers of our country. I am opposed to entangling alliances with foreign nations and the spilling of another drop of American blood and the expenditure of American treasure, except for our own
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defence and the presentation of American treasure, except for our own defence and the preservation of our own country. I am, therefore, opposed to President Wilson's proposed constitution for a League of Nations, and if that proposed constitution is tied together with the treaty of peace I shall vote to accept the treaty of peace and I shall vote to reject the proposed constitution for a League of Nations.

....... United States Senator from North Dakota.

Moses Will Fight Covenant in Treaty.

BOSTON, March 17 .- If the present covenant comes to us tied up in the peace treaty I have no doubt that the Senatorial eye will detect man, could even suggest the possibility and that the Senatorial scalpel will dissect it out. That will be my en-

forming the League of Nations are presented to the Senate as one document they should be separated if possible and each be considered upon its merits. I cannot believe that the Peace Conference will be so blind to the evident sentiment against the League of Nations plan as now to the conference with the possible and each be considered upon "But even though the object was hope for democracy and that pending have not had the the nation affords the only probably had not had the nation affords the only probable. The President probably had not had the nation affords the only probable. The President probably had not had the nation affords the only probable. The President probably had not had the nation affords the only probable. The President probably had not had the nation affords the only probable. The President probably had not had the other members of the conference will conclude of the unblemtished record of your country, approve such a method as that? I was turned, he said: members of the League to Enforce Peace that there is nothing in the principles of that there is nothing in the principles of that organization committing it to such that organization committees at the peace Conference will be so blind our present President because of the World? Would they be a same the common of the World? Would they be a same that as a matter of fact they are opposed to any such covenant as the President has announced repeatedly he will be something the present President the same fit to veil his innermost thoughts the commonwealths? Not at all. They are proposed to any such covenant as the President has announced repeatedly he will be something the president the same fit to veil his innermost thoughts to the evident sentiment against the League of Nations plan as now proposed in the Senate of the World? Would they be own to present President the sent that the respective of the World? Would they be own to present President the same fit to veil his innermost thoughts the will not fail sent from his manner of saying. There has been some pressure extended to the proposed of the respective of the World? Would they be own to present President the sent to veil his innermost thoughts the will not fail sent from his manner of saying the object was demonstrated in the will be so blind to the evident sentiment against the League of Nations plan as now try, approve such a method as that? I cannot believe that the Peace Conference will be so blind to the evident sentiment against the League of Nations plan as now try, approve such a method as that? I cannot believe that the Peace Conference will be so blind to the evident sentiment against the League of Nations plan as now try, approve such a method as that? I cannot believe that the Peace Conference will be so blind to the world? Would they be sorn the World? Would they be sorn the World? Would the proposed in the Senate, and I firmly believe throughout this country, as to so interweave the provisions of these treaties as to make them inseparable.

If through some one's blunders this should be done and if the muddled document itself he will not fall

our Government so essential to our national welfare, then it will be the duty of the Senate, in my opinion, to-reject the treaty as proposed and indicate what amendments should be made to make the document ac-HOWARD SUTHERLAND.

United States Senator from West Virginia.

Would Send Treaty Back for Revision.

DENVER, March 17 .- In event the statement attributed to Secretary Tumulty should prove correct and the covenant for a League of Nations as formally approved by the Paris convention should be submitted to the Senate as a part of a peace treaty with Germany and Austria, it is my opinion that Democratic and Republican Senators would join in sending it back for revision. LAWRENCE C. PHIPPS,

proclaimed the eternal verities upon which I believe the future permanence, stability and prosperity of the American people must ultimately rest, when this fever and passion for un-known and untried things has passed. In the midst of a Babel of voices which cry, "Lo here, and Lo there," his has been the one never changing, consistent battle cry. May heaven let him live long enough to under-stand that the American people have not only heard but heeded many of the solemn warnings which he has

"That sounded somewhat ominou under the circumstances, but all appre-hensions were removed the following morning when newspaper despatches from Arizona announced that Mr. Mar-shall had decided to take his medicine.

Republicans in Washington to get on the band wagon, but this did not strike me went there this country had 'won the sa convincing. I would not dream of suggesting that Mr. Taft night again be seeking political preferment. Neither, I have to confess, did I regard him as an expert on band wagons. The last one "But it is idle to rehearse the mingled" "Are not you, too, Americans."

have to confess, did I regard him as an expert on band wagons. The last one that he drove himself was of the airplane type, it started, as I recall, in Vermont and did not even touch the high spots until it landed in Utah and got stuck in Salt Lake.

"The true explanation I suspect is this Just as Mr. Wison appropriated the fourteen commandments and the accepted covenant from the British, so did he appropriate the league from his predecessor. He stands before the world as its original proponent but, as a matter of freiand. American must refer of fact, Mr. Taft was both its father and its godfather, and when the President will it is a fact which may be the stands before the world was not necessary. The covenant liself, gave it the backing of his great authority, Mr. Tatt found himself in the position of the man who had the bear by the tail. He couldn't let go. That is well bearned. But it is a fact which may be the till the country of the death of the patron saint of the death of the patron saint of the forem lise, from which so many have consistently tended to oppose the President will be represented to the patron saint of the death of the patron saint of the forem lise, from which so many have consistently tended to oppose the President will be represented to seek refuge from opposed to the forem lise, from which so many have consistently tended to oppose the President will be represented to seek refuge from opposed to the forem lise, from which so many have consistently tended to oppose the President will be foremans. The American people, however, are for "In the for op prasses which clouds in the fore parases which clouds in the forem lise, from which so many have consistently tended to oppose the President Wilson. The forem lise which me which we have been regaled. You are familiant which the fact which may be fo

that its language is 'ponderous'; that it contains 'ambiguous phrases'; that there was no telling whether action of the

why, he was as bad as Bryan. He could find practically nothing in the whole document that ought not to be changed. It was another glaring instance of approving in general and

"Nothing But a Trenty."

"Since then Mr. Taft has said an written many words, but so far as I have been able to follow him has made but one great discovery. It is that the articles of the covenant to be signed by the United States, maybe, are not necessarily binding upon the United States because forsooth 'it is for Congress to decide in good faith whether or not a

or would not comply with its require-ments, as it might see fit. It could if it ments, as it might see fit. It could if it would regarded its freaty with Belgium, as a did as President of the World, he could keep us out of war any more than he did as President of the United States.

Mr. Wilson as his authorized interpreter is continuous or whether it terminated the night before he salled. Is that unholy alliance also to be broken at will by either of the high contracting parties or is it to be maintained in good faith? The people are entitled to know.

The reason is simple. As matters now stand Mr. Taft is our only source of information. We had reasonable expectation that the President himself would unveil the mysteries of Paris upon

make the verient its support to any proposition involving purely national jurisdict which refuse for any reason involving purely national jurisdict which refuse for any reason in the size of the army and support to any proposition involving purely national jurisdict which refuse for any reason in the size of the army and support to any proposition, the size of the army and support to any proposition of the size of the proposition of the size of

League Plan Opposed by West Virginia House

CHARLESTON, W. Va., March 17.—By a vote of 52 to 26 the House delegates of the West Virginia Legislature adopted to-day a resolution opposing the League of Nations and the entry of the United States into "any such alliance."

quiesce in the slightest concession to would betray our country and crucify

our liberties!
"I deny that this abortion of a league is emential to the making and preservation of peace.
"I insist that the power for good of

America, as has just been proved, is in-herent in her self-government and her alcofness from intrigue. "I abhor the possibility of American individualism being engulfed in the morass of Socialism.

"If I were an Englishman, a Frenchman or an Italian, I should want this

mere scrap of paper to be torn up at that a single American boy be taken 'That our ex-President, an honorable from his home and assigned to police

'I am one of those who absolutely

reject the trustee theory, the guardianship theory . . I suspect that the people of the United States understand their own interests better than any group of men in the confines of the country understand them.' "I stand with Theodore Roosevelt, who

'Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, the American flag, and this excludes the red flag, which sym-bolizes all wars against liberty and civilization, just as much as it ex-cludes any foreign fing of a nation to which we are hostile. We have room for but one soul loyalty, and that is loyalty to the American people."

"Even the Senators with the selectedly in the White House returnes dejectedly to their homes more bewildered than to their homes more bewildered than the Argonne forest if he had visions of ever, and, as three of them frankly admitted, amazed at the President's ignorance of the real meaning of the various battle. He looked at me dazed for an "You personally owe everything to Mr. Wilson. He took you from obscurity and my flag, sir."

The selected will be understood destructive to the nation's life. Wilson. He took you from obscurity and made you a national character. You have been an apt and faithful servant. It is only than the servant to the servant. "But one roul loyalty! But one flag

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SEEN AS MADNESS Attorney Warns Tumulty as "Faithful Servant" to Curb President.

WILSON PACT IDEA

LEAGUE COVENANT RAKEI

Failure of Present Plan and Hampering of Peace Work Predicted.

Special Desputch to Tas Sev. Washington, March 17 .- Almost the only public man in Washington whose mail bears a preponderance of pro-Wilson pact letters is Joseph P. Tunie ulty, the President's secretary, but may determine.

"Under these amazing interpretations the United States would enter into a solemn engagement with other Powers with a mental reservation that it would or would not comply with its require.

"But I see no control of the league of cables between Mr. Tumulty and the President in regard to the ingressive of the league of cables between Mr. Tumulty and the President in regard to the ingressive of the league o peace treaty in which the latter re-iterated his determination to weave the two inextricably together resulted in this letter going to the White House from William F. Brewster, a Chicago

attorney, under date of March 15; that the Senatorial scalpel will dissect it out. That will be my engree of the United States Senator from New Hampshire.

United States Senator from New Hampshire.

Duty of Senate to Reject, Says Sutherland.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—If the treaty of peace and the treaty is the League of Nations are presented to the Senate as one documents of the United States as one documents of the League of Nations are presented to the Senate as one documents of the United States breaking its plighted faith seems almost incredible, but that is precisely what he did, and you have only to turn to the report of his speech in New York to see that I am stating the exact fact.

"I denounce this scheme as the absolute denial of Democracy. I defy any-body to disprove the assertion that it is away from Congress the powers specifically conferred upon it by our fundamental law.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—If the treaty of peace and the treaty floatly conferred upon it by our fundamental law.

Though the object was hope for democracy and that patriotism not had time to learn what the or members of the conference will conciled the most complete autocracy and that patriotism not had time to learn what the or members of the conference will conciled the most complete autocracy and that patriotism not had time to learn what the or members of the conference will conciled the most complete autocracy and that patriotism not had time to learn what the or members of the conference will conciled them. "DEAR MR. SECRETARY: The evening papers publish reports of alleged correspondence between the President and tions and that a message is alleged to have been received from the Presider President, be made a part of the treaty of peace. I hope you will speedily cor-The President probably had have reliable information from other sources to the same effect) that it will be impossible to obtain the two-thirds vote in the Senate which is necessary fo its ratification provided the League of Nations is made a part of the treaty of peace. Already forty-five votes are as-sured against the ratification, and know-ing this the conference will not delay longer in concluding a peace which is

in his last message to the American peo-ple declared:

"Surely the President will not under these circumstances insist upon objain-ing an impossibility, nor do I think he will be encouraged and permitted to do so by our Allies, who will suffer most by the delay in concluding an immediate peace. Granting that all concerned are equally unselfish and patriotic it would smack of madness for one person, even a superman or even the Holy Father in his infallibility, to attempt to enforce one's personal wishes ablest statesmen and Constitutional lawyers in the United States whose con-

OF LEAGUE PERILS